



STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

Web Posting Date – 07/13/06

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes. The Administrator has received a complete application for the renewal and modification of groundwater discharge permit NEV60030 from the following applicant:

United States Air Force (USAF) 99th CES/CEV
4349 Duffer Drive Suite 1601
Nellis AFB, NV 89191-7007

The U.S. Air Force operates the Creech Air Force Base (formerly Indian Springs Air Force Auxiliary Field (ISAFAF)) Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF), located approximately 45 miles NW of Las Vegas in northwest Clark County, Nevada. Domestic (sanitary) wastewater from variable numbers of Air Force personnel and pretreated on-site light industrial/commercial sources is treated in an extended aeration basin sewage treatment plant. Treated effluent is clarified prior to discharge to groundwaters of the State of Nevada through dual percolation/evaporation trenches located on-site. The facility is permitted for maximum flow of 110,000 gallons wastewater per day. The Division has made the tentative determination to renew the groundwater discharge permit for a period of five (5) years, subject to certain effluent limitations.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand-delivered or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on August 14, 2006, either in person or by mail to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Water Pollution Control
901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001
Carson City, NV 89701-5249

Comments and/or hearing requests received via facsimile or e-mail before 5:00 P.M. August 14, 2006 will also be accepted. All requests for hearings must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reason(s) why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day comment period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. The public notice of such hearings will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the public hearing date.

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If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Janine Hartley, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9458, or at jhartley@ndep.nv.gov. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. This notice and the Fact Sheet for this facility are also available on the NDEP website at www.ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.